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Charles Royer, Mayor

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Honorable Warren G. Magnuson
127 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Magnuson:

I have recently become aware of an urgent and distressing situation which has affected the lives of people now living in Seattle. I am referring to the reported violations of human rights in Argentina.

A few months ago, the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of American States concluded its report on the atrocities committed by the Argentine authorities against its citizens. Apparently the violations of human rights are continuing. During the past few weeks, I have received reports from Argentine refugees of cases of insanity, illness, and suicide among political prisoners in Argentina as a consequence of the conditions of their imprisonment.

In view of these reports, I solicit your support for the conclusions and recommendations of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and for its proposal for sanctions against the Argentine government. I believe very strongly in this nation's commitment to human rights and I believe our nation must take action to end the suffering in Argentina.

Sincerely,


Charles Royer

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ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

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Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

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